

**WE CLAIM:**

1. An exterior trim assembly for use with a window or door surround in a building structure comprising:

at least one mantle for affixing above the window or door, said mantle comprising a

5 mantle base and a corresponding mantle cover to affix to and cover said mantle base;

first and second pilaster assemblies for affixing on first and second sides of the window or door, each pilaster assembly comprising a base and a cover element affixed to said base, each of said bases having a plurality of regularly repeating reinforced structural sections; and

10 at least two pilaster cover plates, each of said pilaster cover plates affixed to and covering one of said first and second pilaster bases.

2. The exterior trim assembly of claim 1 wherein said first and second pilaster bases include a plurality of notches formed in sides therein.

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3. The exterior trim assembly of claim 2 wherein said first and second pilaster cover plates each include a plurality of protrusions formed therein for mating with said plurality of slots.

20 4. The exterior trim assembly of claim 1 wherein each of said plurality of

regularly repeating reinforced structural sections includes a planar portion integrally formed with and bounded on both ends by reinforcement ribs.

5. The exterior assembly of claim 4 wherein each of said reinforcement ribs  
5 includes apertures formed therein for mounting said first and second pilaster bases to the structure.

6. The exterior trim assembly of claim 1 wherein each of said planar portions  
includes a plurality of slots formed therein for mounting said first and second pilaster bases to  
10 a structure.

7. The exterior trim assembly of claim 1 further including a trim element for  
covering a joint defined by adjoining ones of said pilaster segments and said mantle.

15 8. The exterior trim assembly of Claim 1 further including a block molding for  
covering a bottom of each said pilaster cover, said block molding comprising:

a molding base, said molding base defining notches in sides thereof; and

a molding cover, said molding cover including protrusions extending inwardly from  
sides thereof such that said molding cover snaps over said molding base, and said molding  
20 protrusions are received in said molding base notches for affixing said molding cover to said  
molding base.

9. The exterior trim assembly of Claim 8 wherein said molding base further includes a tray portion, said tray portion defining a plurality of slots therein for attaching said molding base to said pilaster cover and said pilaster base.